

To the FCC:

Please step in and stop Sinclair Broadcasting from forcing its local affiliates from showing an anti-Kerry piece two weeks before the presidential elections. This is a misuse of public airtime, which is required by law to keep a balanced perspective when airing campaign information, no matter how large or small the election is to be.

A smear piece should not be allowed to be run so close to an election - or if it is, it needs to be balanced out by a pro-Kerry piece such as "Going Upriver" in a comparable time slot. In other words, they must not be allowed to show the smear piece in prime time and the pro piece at 2 a.m. This is an abuse of the broadcast system.

I trust that you will stop Sinclair from forcing its political beliefs upon the American people. It's not a corporation's job to impose unbalanced, biased political opinions on people who just want to watch a bit of TV. A corporation shouldn't even *have* such opinions, let alone force-feed them to the nation.

Sincerely,

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